

General Assembly

Amendment

February Session, 2006

LCO No. 4806

SB0050204806HR0

Offered by:

REP. MILLER, 122nd Dist.

To: Senate Bill No. **502**

File No. 104

Cal. No. 450

(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICES AND CASH DISCOUNTS FOR GASOLINE."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 12-587 of the 2006 supplement to the general
- 4 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 5 (Effective from passage):
- 6 (a) As used in this chapter: (1) "Company" includes a corporation,
- 7 partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, limited
- 8 liability partnership, association, individual or any fiduciary thereof;
- 9 (2) "quarterly period" means a period of three calendar months
- 10 commencing on the first day of January, April, July or October and
- 11 ending on the last day of March, June, September or December,
- 12 respectively; (3) "gross earnings" means all consideration received
- 13 from the first sale within this state of a petroleum product; (4)

"petroleum products" means those products which contain or are made from petroleum or a petroleum derivative; (5) "first sale of petroleum products within this state" means the initial sale of a petroleum product delivered to a location in this state; (6) "export" or "exportation" means the conveyance of petroleum products from within this state to a location outside this state for the purpose of sale or use outside this state; and (7) "sale for exportation" means a sale of petroleum products to a purchaser which itself exports such products.

(b) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, any company which is engaged in the refining or distribution, or both, of petroleum products and which distributes such products in this state shall pay a quarterly tax on its gross earnings derived from the first sale of petroleum products within this state. Each company shall on or before the last day of the month next succeeding each quarterly period render to the commissioner a return on forms prescribed or furnished by the commissioner and signed by the person performing the duties of treasurer or an authorized agent or officer, including the amount of gross earnings derived from the first sale of petroleum products within this state for the quarterly period and such other facts as the commissioner may require for the purpose of making any computation required by this chapter. Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, the rate of tax shall be (A) five per cent with respect to calendar quarters prior to July 1, 2005; (B) five and eight-tenths per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2005, and prior to July 1, 2006; (C) six and [three-tenths] <u>one-tenth</u> per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2006, and prior to July 1, [2007] 2008; and (D) seven per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, [2007] 2008. [, and prior to July 1, 2008; (E) seven and one-half per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2008, and prior to July 1, 2013; and (F) eight and one-tenth per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2013.]

(2) Gross earnings derived from the first sale of the following

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38

39

40

41

42

43

44

45 46

48 petroleum products within this state shall be exempt from tax: (A) Any 49 petroleum products sold for exportation from this state for sale or use 50 outside this state; (B) the product designated by the American Society 51 for Testing and Materials as "Specification for Heating Oil D396-69", 52 commonly known as number 2 heating oil, to be used exclusively for 53 heating purposes or to be used in a commercial fishing vessel, which 54 vessel qualifies for an exemption pursuant to section 12-412, as 55 amended; (C) kerosene, commonly known as number 1 oil, to be used exclusively for heating purposes, provided delivery is of both number 56 57 1 and number 2 oil, and via a truck with a metered delivery ticket to a 58 residential dwelling or to a centrally metered system serving a group 59 of residential dwellings; (D) the product identified as propane gas, to 60 be used exclusively for heating purposes; (E) bunker fuel oil, 61 intermediate fuel, marine diesel oil and marine gas oil to be used in 62 any vessel having a displacement exceeding four thousand dead 63 weight tons; (F) for any first sale occurring prior to July 1, 2008, 64 propane gas to be used as a fuel for a motor vehicle; (G) for any first sale occurring on or after July 1, 2002, grade number 6 fuel oil, as 65 66 defined in regulations adopted pursuant to section 16a-22c, to be used 67 exclusively by a company which, in accordance with census data 68 contained in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, United 69 States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, is included in 70 code classifications 2000 to 3999, inclusive, or in Sector 31, 32 or 33 in 71 the North American Industrial Classification System United States 72 Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 1997 edition; 73 (H) for any first sale occurring on or after July 1, 2002, number 2 74 heating oil to be used exclusively in a vessel primarily engaged in 75 interstate commerce, which vessel qualifies for an exemption under 76 section 12-412, as amended; (I) for any first sale occurring on or after July 1, 2000, paraffin or microcrystalline waxes; or (J) for any first sale 77 78 occurring prior to July 1, 2008, petroleum products to be used as a fuel 79 for a fuel cell, as defined in subdivision (113) of section 12-412, as 80 amended.

81 (3) The rate of tax on gross earnings derived from the first sale of

grade number 6 fuel oil, as defined in regulations adopted pursuant to section 16a-22c, to be used exclusively by a company which, in accordance with census data contained in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, is included in code classifications 2000 to 3999, inclusive, or in Sector 31, 32 or 33 in the North American Industrial Classification System United States Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 1997 edition, or number 2 heating oil used exclusively in a vessel primarily engaged in interstate commerce, which vessel qualifies for an exemption under section 12-412, as amended, shall be: (A) Four per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 1998, and prior to July 1, 1999; (B) three per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2000; (C) two per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2000, and prior to July 1, 2001; and (D) one per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2001, and prior to July 1, 2002.

(c) (1) Any company which imports or causes to be imported into this state petroleum products for sale, use or consumption in this state, other than a company subject to and having paid the tax on such company's gross earnings from first sales of petroleum products within this state, which earnings include gross earnings attributable to such imported or caused to be imported petroleum products, in accordance with subsection (b) of this section, shall pay a quarterly tax on the consideration given or contracted to be given for such petroleum product if the consideration given or contracted to be given for all such deliveries during the quarterly period for which such tax is to be paid exceeds three thousand dollars. Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, the rate of tax shall be (A) five per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing prior to July 1, 2005; (B) five and eight-tenths per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2005, and prior to July 1, 2006; (C) six and [three-tenths] one-tenth per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2006, and prior to July 1, [2007]

82

83

84

85

86

87

88

89

90

91

92

93

94

95

96

97

98

99

100

101

102

103

104

105

106

107

108

109

110

111

112

113

114

116 2008; and (D) seven per cent with respect to calendar quarters 117 commencing on or after July 1, [2007] 2008. [, and prior to July 1, 2008; 118 (E) seven and one-half per cent with respect to calendar quarters 119 commencing on or after July 1, 2008, and prior to July 1, 2013; and (F) 120 eight and one-tenth per cent with respect to calendar quarters 121 commencing on or after July 1, 2013.] Fuel in the fuel supply tanks of a 122 motor vehicle, which fuel tanks are directly connected to the engine, 123 shall not be considered a delivery for the purposes of this subsection.

- (2) Consideration given or contracted to be given for petroleum products, gross earnings from the first sale of which are exempt from tax under subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section, shall be exempt from tax.
- (3) The rate of tax on consideration given or contracted to be given for grade number 6 fuel oil, as defined in regulations adopted pursuant to section 16a-22c, to be used exclusively by a company which, in accordance with census data contained in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, is included in code classifications 2000 to 3999, inclusive, or in Sector 31, 32 or 33 in the North American Industrial Classification System United States Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 1997 edition, or number 2 heating oil used exclusively in a vessel primarily engaged in interstate commerce, which vessel qualifies for an exemption under section 12-412, as amended, shall be: (A) Four per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 1998, and prior to July 1, 1999; (B) three per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2000; (C) two per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2000, and prior to July 1, 2001; and (D) one per cent with respect to calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2001, and prior to July 1, 2002.
- (d) The amount of tax reported to be due on such return shall be due and payable on or before the last day of the month next succeeding the quarterly period. The tax imposed under the provisions

124

125

126

127

128

129

130

131

132

133

134

135

136

137

138

139

140

141

142

143

144

145

146

147

of this chapter shall be in addition to any other tax imposed by this state on such company.

(e) For the purposes of this chapter, the gross earnings of any producer or refiner of petroleum products operating a service station along the highways or interstate highways within the state pursuant to a contract with the Department of Transportation or operating a service station which is used as a training or test marketing center under the provisions of subsection (b) of section 14-344d, shall be calculated by multiplying the volume of petroleum products delivered by any producer or refiner to any such station by such producer's or refiner's dealer tank wagon price or dealer wholesale price in the area of the service station."